

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A message system comprising:

118 a message creator which creates a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member; and

a ~~writer~~ printer which ~~writes~~ prints the message created by said message creator visibly and erasably on a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 2 (Original): The message system according to claim 1, further comprising a memory which stores a word/phrase table storing a plurality of words/phrases for use in creating the message, and

wherein said message creator acquires at least one word or phrase corresponding to the at least one attribute of the at least one member from the word/phrase table, and creates the message using the acquired word or phrase.

Claim 3 (Original): The message system according to claim 2, wherein:

said memory further stores a sentence including at least one non-settled information portion wherein no word/phrase has been settled yet; and

said message creator sets the at least one word or phrase from the word/phrase table into the at least one non-settled information portion of the sentence, thereby creating the message.

Claim 4 (Original): The message system according to claim 3, further comprising a table creator which creates the word/phrase table and stores the created word/phrase table into said memory.

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Claim 5 (Original): The message system according to claim 4, wherein said table creator creates the word/phrase table corresponding to a change in an external factor.

Claim 6 (Original): The message system according to claim 5, wherein:
the external factor is a date;
said message system further comprises a date acquirer which obtains a current date;
and
said table creator creates the word/phrase table corresponding to the current date obtained by said date acquirer.

Claim 7 (Original): The message system according to claim 1, further comprising:
a recorder which records the attribute information of the at least one member on the card possessed by the at least one member; and
an accumulator which accumulates the record-information included in the attribute information, and
wherein said recorder updates the record-information recorded on the card, using latest record-information accumulated by said accumulator.

Claim 8 (Original): The message system according to claim 7, further comprising a reader which reads out the attribute information of the at least one member who possesses the card, from the card, and

wherein said message creator creates the message using the attribute information read out by said reader.

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Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The message system according to claim 1, wherein said ~~writer illustrates~~ printer prints a drawing and/or illustration representing contents of the message on the card, together with the message.

Claim 10 (Original): The message system according to claim 1, further comprising an e-mail sender which sends an e-mail representing the message created by said message creator to the at least one member.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A message creating method comprising the steps of:
creating a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member; and
~~writing~~ printing the created message visibly and erasably onto a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): A program for controlling a computer to serve as a message system comprising:

a message creator which create a message corresponding to at least one attribute of at least one member in a predetermined system, the at least one attribute being shown in attribute information including fixed information settled at a time of registering the at least one member and record-information updated in accordance with performance of the at least one member; and

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a ~~writer~~ printer which ~~writes~~ prints the message created by said message creator visibly and erasably on a card possessed by the at least one member.

Claim 13 (New): The message system according to claim 1, wherein said printer erases the message on the card by heat and prints a new message on the card by heat.

Claim 14 (New): The message system according to claim 6, further comprising a determiner which determines whether or not the word/phrase table necessary for creating the message is stored in said memory,

wherein said table creator creates the word/phrase table in a case ~~where~~ in which said determiner determines that the necessary word/phrase table is not stored in said memory.
